



ATTACHMENT B

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A support device for use in building and maintenance of a roof having a sloping plane, for use with a roof ladder having rungs, said support device comprising

a support member connected to a base by means of a joint,

at least one support arm extending between said support member and said base at a location remote from said joint, and

a rung-engaging element carried by said base and extending in a direction away from said support member to engage said rungs of said roof ladder,

whereby in use said support member has a support surface lying in a generally horizontal plane while said base lies generally adjacent and parallel to said plane of said roof,

wherein said rung-engaging element is located along ~~one~~ a first lower edge of said base and comprises a plurality of spaced cut-outs each so shaped to engage a rung of a roof ladder, and

further comprising an elongate roof-engaging leg; which is adjustably attached to a second lower ~~located along an edge~~ of said base opposite to said rung-engaging element so as to be adjusted toward or away from the roof.

2. (original) The support device of claim 1, which is collapsible and in which said at least one support arm is hinged to said support member and is releasably engageable with said base.

3. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said at least one support arm has an adjustable length.

4. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said support member incorporates a level-indicating device.

5. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said base is of generally planar configuration.

6. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said support member is of generally planar configuration.

7. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said support member is jointed to said base about a joint axis which lies adjacent one edge of said base.

8. (original) The support device of claim 1, wherein said support member is jointed to said base about a joint axis which lies adjacent one edge of said support member.

9. (currently amended) The support device of claim 1, wherein said base is integral with said rung-engaging element and wherein said first and second lower edges are each is formed by folding together two side panels of a blank where said side panels have ~~having~~ said plurality of spaced cutouts preformed therein.

10. (original) The combination of the support device of claim 1 and a roof ladder, said rung-engaging element engaging said rungs of said roof ladder, whereby in use, when said roof ladder is located on a sloping roof, said support member has a support surface lying in a generally horizontal plane while said base lies generally adjacent and parallel to said plane of said roof.